SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 862 By Cooper

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Dustin Wayne Shelton, 2004 Valedictorian of Coffee County Central High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Dustin Wayne Shelton is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2004 graduating class at Coffee County Central High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Dustin Shelton has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Dustin Shelton has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, an estimable citizen and public servant in his community, Dustin Shelton has achieved Eagle Scout rank with the Boy Scouts of America; his numerous volunteer projects and activities include Senior Citizens Outreach, Freaky Friday After School Program, Operation Christmas, Church Webmaster/Sound Technician, and Church PPRC Youth Representative; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Shelton's accomplishments and promise have been evident during his high school tenure, and he has been honored with numerous local and national awards, including National Merit Scholarship Commended Student, Tennessee Honors Program (Class of 2003), USAA National Mathematics Award, Exchange Club Student of the Month, USAA National English Award, Science Department Award, and *Who's Who Among American High School Students*: and

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WHEREAS, Dustin Shelton's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; he has received scholarship offers from the Rochester Institute of Technology, the University of Tennessee, and Tennessee Tech University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Shelton's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Larry and Reeda Shelton, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Shelton's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2004 Coffee County Central High School Valedictorian, Dustin Wayne Shelton, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a successful and happy future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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